

REMARKS

Claims 120, 123, 173 and 176 have been rewritten in independent form.

Claims 132-143 and 183,194 have been allowed.

All other claims have been canceled, including claim 180 that was rejected as being indefinite, thereby rendering moot the rejection of that claim under 35 USC 112..

Applicants do not intend their cancellation of claims herein to imply that applicants necessarily agree with the grounds of rejection set forth in the most recent Office action for certain of the claims. Rather, per the preference of the assignee, AT&T Corp., it has been decided to cancel the rejected claims at this time to facilitate the issuance of a patent containing those claims that have been indicated to contain allowable subject matter. Applicants intend to consider filing a continuation application to pursue the canceled claims, or claims like them.

The application is believed in condition for allowance and reconsideration is requested.

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